Listing of the Claims

1. (Previously presented) A method operable within a system of the type in

which an enterprise network provides connectivity between a plurality of enterprise telephone

stations, wherein a landline connection extends between the enterprise network and a packet-

switched network, and wherein a call server sits on the packet-switched network and engages in

packet-based signaling with the enterprise network to set up calls inside the enterprise network

between the enterprise telephone stations, the method comprising:

detecting failure of the landline connection;

in response to detecting failure of the landline connection, invoking a wireless wide area

network (WWAN) connection between the enterprise network and the packet-switched network

to allow continued passage of the packet-based signaling between the enterprise network and the

call server to set up calls having bearer paths within the enterprise network between the

enterprise telephone stations; and

at the call server, allowing setup of calls having bearer paths within the enterprise

network between the enterprise telephone stations, while preventing setup of all but certain

designated calls having bearer paths extending from the enterprise network and through the

WWAN connection.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the WWAN connection comprises

a cellular radiocommunication system.

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3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein invoking the WWAN connection

comprises using a WWAN modem to acquire connectivity with the packet-switched network.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the enterprise network includes a

router that routes the packet-based signaling to the packet-switched network, and wherein

detecting the failure comprises the router detecting the failure.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the enterprise network includes a

router that has a first mode in which the router routes traffic over the landline connection and a

second mode in which the router routes traffic over the WWAN connection, and wherein

invoking the WWAN connection comprises the router switching from the first mode to the

second mode

6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the router is coupled with a

WWAN modem, and wherein invoking the WWAN connection comprises the router sending

data to the WWAN modem.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the call server comprises an IP

Centrex server.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the packet-based signaling

comprises Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) signaling.

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(Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

using the WWAN connection to carry emergency calls between the enterprise network and the packet-switched network.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein restricting outside

calling via the WWAN connection comprises:

allowing emergency service calls via the WWAN connection but precluding other outside

calls via the WWAN connection.

12. (Previously presented) An improvement to a system of the type comprising

an enterprise network that provides connectivity between a plurality of enterprise telephone

stations, wherein the enterprise network is coupled by a landline connection with a packet-

switched network and a call server on the packet-switched network engages in packet-based

signaling with the enterprise network to set up calls inside the enterprise network between the

enterprise telephone stations, the improvement comprising:

a wireless wide area network (WWAN) modem for providing a WWAN backup link

between the enterprise network and the packet-switched network;

routing logic, operable upon failure of the landline connection, to route the packet-based

signaling via the WWAN backup link between the enterprise network and the packet-switched

network, so as to allow continued setup of calls having bearer paths within the enterprise

network between the enterprise telephone stations; and

McDONNELL BOEHNEN HULBERT & BERGHOFF ILP 300 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60608 TELEPHONE (312) 913-0001 call-server-logic at the call server allowing setup of calls having bearer paths within the

enterprise network between the enterprise telephone stations, while preventing setup of all but

certain designated calls having bearer paths extending from the enterprise network and through

the WWAN connection.

13. (Original) The improvement of claim 12, wherein the enterprise network

comprises a router having the routing logic, wherein the routing logic defines a primary static

route via the landline connection and a secondary static route via the WWAN modem.

14. (Original) The improvement of claim 13, wherein the routing logic defines

the primary static route as a lower cost route than the secondary static route, so that (i) the router

normally uses the primary static route and (ii) the router uses the secondary static route when the

primary static route becomes unavailable.

15. (Original) The improvement of claim 12, wherein the WWAN modem

establishes the WWAN backup link via a cellular radiocommunication system.

16. (Original) The improvement of claim 12, wherein the WWAN modem is

integrated within the router.

17. (Original) The improvement of claim 12, wherein the call server comprises

an IP Centrex server.

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- 18. (Original) The improvement of claim 12, wherein the packet-based signaling comprises Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) signaling.
 - 19. (Cancelled)
- 20. (Previously presented) The improvement of claim 12, wherein the call-server-logic allows emergency service calls via the WWAN backup link but precludes other outside calls via the WWAN backup link.